Ala. Tax Case

MOBILE, Ala. — Five of Gov. George Wallace's former political aides or campaign contributors pleaded innocent in federal court to charges of income-tax evasion or conspiracy to evade taxes.

The defendants, whose indictments were disclosed Sept. 17, were former Alabama State Docks Director Houston H. Feaster, former State Finance Director Seymore Trammell, former Democratic National Committeeman Earl Goodwin of Selma and two Birmingham businessmen.

The businessmen charged were Elton B. Stephens and Robert H. Cottingham, president and treasurer, respectively of EBSCO Industries, a textbook firm.